

MURDER AND ASSAULTS CHICAGO PRIMARY TOLL

IDENTIFY LELAND MURDER VICTIM AS WELL-KNOWN CHICAGO CROOK

MAIMED HAND HELPS TO
ESTABLISH IDENTITY
OF DEAD MAN

DROVE STOLEN CAR

DODGE, FOUND ABANDONED
NORTH OF VILLAGE, BELONGS
TO CHICAGO MAN—MILLER BE-
LIEVED TO HAVE BEEN SHOT
WHILE SERVING AS LOOKOUT
FOR BANDIT GANG.

Three fingers missing from the right hand of the man found murdered in Leland yesterday morning led to positive identification today as George L. Miller of Chicago, said by the Chicago police to have a long record as a burglar and holdup man. Miller is supposed to have been one of the party of bandits who raided the Franklin Park bank early Tuesday morning.

One theory for the murder is that he was wounded by a posse after leaving Dixon and was finished by one of his own men who killed him to get rid of him. Another is that he was killed over the division of loot secured in former raids. A third is that he was a victim of mistaken identity.

Ate Lunch in Shabbona.
A youth who saw the party in the restaurant in Shabbona at midnight Tuesday, of which Miller is thought to have been a member, identified him yesterday as one of the men. He said that while in the restaurant Miller had a big sack of money, but claimed that the party left in a big Hudson touring car.

This is leading the sheriff to believe that possibly there were two cars, used by the gang, as the auto found outside of Leland yesterday was a Dodge, equipped with a complete camping outfit.

Carried Several Auto Tags.
A stack of auto numbers several inches high in the back seat contained licenses from Indiana, Iowa and two from Illinois, one of which was issued to Miller to drive his Ford touring car. The authorities believe that the gang was accustomed to operate in several states. Working on the theory that the car was stolen, as he did not believe that bandits would carry a complete camping outfit, including dishes, coffee, etc., Sheriff Ayers at once started tracing down the owner of the car. The fact that the cushion for the back seat was missing led him to believe that the car was taken while its owners were near by, perhaps preparing to camp some place for the night. Tracing through a Chicago city license, Sheriff Ayers this morning learned that the car bore a license plate which was issued to George Foster, 2728 Keeler avenue, Chicago.

Letters From Sweetheart.
Miller is about 35 years old and was indicated by the letters found in his pocket, formerly lived at 1831 Park avenue, Chicago. He is married, but it is rumored that divorce proceedings were started against him. In Chicago where he formerly roomed he was supposed to be a meat salesman. He still kept his Ford car at the Park avenue address, and visited the garage there on Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The two letters in his pocket were signed by Stella Broughton, New Fisher hotel, Madras, Oregon.
"Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde."
The authorities believe that Miller was living a Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde existence, posing as a respectable business man in the city and was an automobile bandit in the country. In support of their supposition they point to the fact that a number of the razors and knives stolen from the Erickson garage were found in Miller's pockets. In the auto which apparently transported the gang Miller's coat was found.

Deputy Coroner Thorsen said that he believed that Miller had been shot by his companions.

"It looks like he was wounded by the posse that pursued the robbers out of Franklin Grove and that his pals 'bumped him off' to get rid of him," Mr. Thorsen said.

"The loot they had piled in the Leland store was heavy and a wounded man would be of little help in loading it. It included heavy automobile tires and tools. I believe the bandits fell to quarreling with Miller, possibly because he asked for help instead of lending a hand, and the result was that he was shot. A sort of survival of the fittest. His magazine gun was found in the automobile, together with two grips of burglars' and safecrackers' tools."

The inquest on Miller's remains will (Continued on page 5, col. 4.)

QUIET HIGH NOON WEDDING OBSERVED AT WILEY RESIDENCE

MISS DORIS MARIE WILEY, POP-
ULAR WEST SIDE GIRL, BE-
COMES BRIDE TODAY OF
VAUGHN BAXTER, WELL
KNOWN OTTAWA YOUNG MAN.

Miss Doris Marie Wiley, only daughter of Mrs. Ray Wiley, and Vaughn Baxter, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Baxter of the Palmer annex, were united in marriage at 12 o'clock today at the bride's home, 1235 Ottawa avenue. Fourteen guests, the families of the bride and groom, the bride's friends were in attendance. The house was prettily decorated in pink and white, with backgrounds of green ferns. Miss Gladys Pool played the Lohengrin wedding march as the bride party entered the living room and took their places, in front of the bank of ferns and pink and white asters. Rev. Hiram F. Lawler, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiated, using the Episcopal rite ceremony. Following the marriage Miss. Blanche Mossey sang "At Dawning."

The bride wore a white crepe net gown, trimmed with pearls. Her head dress was a wreath of pearls, and she carried a shower bouquet of white roses.

Following the ceremony a five course wedding breakfast was served at a long table in the dining room, which was prettily decorated in pink ribbons, pink roses and streamers of tulle.

Mr. Baxter and his bride left this afternoon for an automobile trip thru Wisconsin. The bride's traveling costume was a blue-velvet suit, heavily embroidered and trimmed in seashell with a small hat of the same shade of blue. Upon their return they will make their home on a farm in Freedom township.

The bride moved to Ottawa from Freedom township about two years ago. She has a wide circle of acquaintances here, having attended the Ottawa township high school, and graduated in the class of 1916. During her residence in Ottawa she has taken part in the work of the First Methodist church. She is very popular in her circle of friends, and has been the guest of honor at many parties since the announcement of her engagement.

The groom has resided in Ottawa all of his life and is well known here. He is a graduate of the township high school and of the agricultural school of the University of Illinois. During the war he enlisted in the regiment serving under Capt. Walter B. Palmer at Camp Sherman, O., and Camp John Florida. Since receiving his honorable discharge from the army he has been engaged in farming near Prairie Center.

MANY MOURNERS AT MRS. ECKERT FUNERAL

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Catherine Eckert, 61, who died at her home at 1021 Illinois avenue, Monday morning about 1:30 o'clock after a lingering illness, were held this morning at 10 o'clock at St. Francis' church. A large number of relatives and friends attended the last rites. Interment was made at St. Francis' cemetery in West Ottawa.

The pall bearers were: Wm. Hinkley, Joseph Schlegels, Joseph Schroeder, George Landersbach, John Luesler and Henry Hahn.

REVERSES RULING ON FREIGHT DISTRIBUTION

Springfield, Sept. 15.—Grain cars will be delivered to shippers in Illinois on the same basis fixed by the federal government, according to the decision of Circuit Judge Smith, in commission decision of 1919. The federal ruling orders that each shipper be supplied the number of cars required but the state regulation based the number of cars on the average requirement for the last five years.

A marriage license was issued late yesterday to William Hicks, aged 21, and Cella Beurl, aged 16, both of Mar-silles.

WOMEN TAKE ACTIVE PART IN ELECTION; SWELL CITY'S VOTE

CAST BALLOTS ALONG WITH THE
MEN—ALL PRECINCTS REPORT
KEEN INTEREST IN TODAY'S
PRIMARY—RECORD VOTE BEING
CAST. REPORTS FROM COUNTY
INDICATE.

Interest in today's election was at high pitch, with women voting well up with the men at 3 o'clock, when the Free Trader-Journal made a careful canvass of the seven precincts constituting the Ottawa division. At that time the total number of women voting was 956, against 1,290 men.

From all sections of the county came reports of the same active part being taken by the feminine voters as shown here, indicating that the judges and clerks will have the busiest night on record tallying the ballots and setting the results ready to announce.

At press time South Ottawa showed the heaviest balloting, 539 having been recorded there, with all indications pointing to a large increase in that number before the polls close at 7 o'clock. The Sixth precinct was running a close second with 468.

From the country precincts comes word that never before in history has there been such interest shown in a primary election, the country women, like their city sisters, keeping pace with the men by taking advantage of their right of franchise.

The following is the number of votes by precincts cast up to 3 o'clock: Precincts, Men, Women.

First precinct	295	138
Second precinct	155	126
Third precinct	168	68
Fourth precinct	112	83
Fifth precinct	119	122
Sixth precinct	273	195
South Ottawa	539	224
Total	1,290	956

DECHANEL TO QUIT FRENCH PRESIDENCY

(By the Associated Press.)
Paris, Sept. 15.—Alexandre Millerand, French premier and foreign minister, is prominently mentioned as the next president of France should President Deschanel resign because of ill health, says the Figaro. Some of M. Millerand's friends say he will refuse to become a candidate, but nevertheless, there is a tendency to believe he may be induced to accept if the office is offered him unanimously. Notwithstanding his long rest and treatment by specialists, the Figaro declares President Deschanel is unable fully to discharge the duties of his office and it is said he himself feels he can no longer continue to assume the trust with which he has been invested. Nothing is known as to when he will carry out his resignation to resign, but it will be soon, the newspaper says.

Paris, Sept. 15.—President Deschanel will be obliged to resign because of his ill health, and the question of the presidency will be taken up by the cabinet Friday, says a semi-official dispatch from the French capital.

ELECTION RETURNS TONIGHT

The Free Trader-Journal tonight will receive full returns on today's primary. As the reports filter into the office from all points in the state and county, they will be posted on the windows, where they will be plainly visible to crowds in the street.

Arrangements have been made for a complete Associated Press report on the state, including Chicago and Cook county.

If you are interested in today's primary (and who isn't?) keep track of the results through the Free Trader-Journal bulletins, which will continue until midnight.

SAMUEL PORTER, WAR VETERAN, PASSES AWAY

Samuel S. Porter, a pioneer Ottawa resident and veteran of the Civil War, died this afternoon at 1 o'clock at his home on the Bloomington road. Mr. Porter was born in Warren, O., December 16, 1879, and came to Ottawa in 1912. During his residence here he made many friends.

Surviving him leaves a widow, Mrs. Anna Porter, and three children, Samuel S. and E. C. Porter of this city, and Mrs. Seymour J. Baar, of Chicago. He was a member of the G. A. R.

Postpone C. O. F. Election.
The annual election of the Catholic Order of Foresters, which was to take place last night, at the regular meeting of the organization, was postponed for two weeks.



CROWDS DEFY HEAVY SKIES TO SPEND AFTERNOON AT LA SALLE CO. FAIR

OTTAWA DAY OPENS GLOOMY
AND FOREBODING, BUT WEATH-
ER FAILS TO CUT DOWN AT-
TENDANCE—OPENING DAY
TURNOUT EXCEEDS LAST
YEAR.

In spite of the leaden skies and the heavy rains that stirred up mud everywhere, Ottawa day at the county fair started in a manner that promised to be one of the most successful of the four day session. While the mud and out of town visitors are pouring in the grounds all morning, the local people started arriving shortly after 12 o'clock, and a steady stream was still pouring in the grounds at press time.

Yesterday there were 1,700 paid admissions passed through the gates, besides all the season tickets, and the thousands of complimentary passes that were issued to the school children and teachers. It is estimated that about 7,000 people were in attendance at the fair during the day. The booths and stands along the pike did a rushing business, and the ex-

SLATE TICKETS WIN NEW YORK PRIMARY

New York, Sept. 15.—Republican and democratic candidates who received the endorsement of the unofficial state convention at Saratoga won decisive victories in all state wide contests in yesterday's New York state primary.

With 2,549 districts missing out of a total of 7,274 Nathan L. Miller of Syracuse, republican organization designee for governor, led State Senator Geo. P. Thompson of Niagara by 75,782 votes. Senator Thompson, however, will be prohibition candidate for governor. Governor Alfred E. Smith was renominated without opposition by the democrats. United States Senator James W. Wadsworth Jr., backed by the republican state organization, won an easy victory over Mrs. Silas A. Boyle and George H. Payne.

Lieutenant Gov. H. C. Walker, organization candidate for the democratic nomination for United States senator, defeated Mayor George R. Linn of Schenectady by a vote of more than 2 to 1. Organization candidates also proved victorious in almost all other contests.

COLLEGE SLAYER IS GIVEN LONG SENTENCE

Woodville, N. H., Sept. 15.—Robert Meads of La Grange, Dartmouth student, who killed Henry Maroney of Medford, Mass., a fellow student after a drinking bout in a college dormitory last June, pleaded guilty to manslaughter today and was sentenced to serve fifteen to twenty years in the state prison at hard labor.

ROBBERS BLOW SAFE OF GALENA, ILL., BANK

(By the Associated Press.)
Harrisburg, Ill., Sept. 15.—The Galena Bank was wrecked by safecrackers last night, but the robbers failed to reach the inner vault. An overcharge of nitroglycerin completely demolished the bank building and wove the entire town. The robbers fled without trying to reach the safe.

Make It Downtown.
Louisville, Ky.—Prohibition enforcers have reported the discovery in Louisville's business district of a manufactory still with a capacity of thirty-five gallons.

MOWER RUNS OVER VICTIM WHEN TEAM TAKES TO ITS HEELS

INJURED MAN PLACED UNDER
X-RAY AT HOSPITAL—LEG FRAC-
TURED AND COLLAR BONE
BROKEN IN ACCIDENT SOUTH
OF OTTAWA.

X-ray pictures taken following the injuries received by Elmer Hoff when he was thrown from his mowing machine south of the city yesterday, disclosed the fact that aside from a broken leg, dislocated collar bone and numerous cuts and bruises, he was not injured. Hoff, who was unconscious from the time of the accident until last night, is now well on the road to recovery.

The accident happened on a farm four miles south of the city. The injured man, who is 24 years of age, had been running a mowing machine. His team became frightened, and throwing him from the driver's seat, the heavy mower was dragged over him. He was found unconscious in the field by his brother.

Mr. W. H. Jamieson was summoned and rushed him to Rialto hospital, where five stitches were taken to close the lacerations. Last night the fractures were reduced and the injured man rested comfortably during the night. He will be able to be removed to his home the early part of next week.

CRIME RUNS RIFE AS FACTIONS BRAWL AT VOTING PLACES

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, Sept. 15.—One man killed, four kidnaped, several beaten and a half dozen arrested on charges ranging from election fraud to assault on

ALIBI MAY SECURE ALLEGED HOLD UP MAN HIS RELEASE

FATHER OF YOUTH CHARGED
WITH BEING ACCOMPLICE IN
ATTEMPTED ROBBERY OF LA
SALLE HOTEL APPEARS IN OT-
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LEASE.

Elimination of James Thompson as a suspect in the attempted holdup Monday night of the Harrison house at La Salle, when a highwayman failed to force Luke Garrity, the clerk, to turn over money from the cash register at the point of a gun, was practically accomplished this morning with the appearance in Ottawa of Whalen Thompson, father of the young man, and Samuel Ball, a Chicago detective, whose son was young Ball's companion.

The two boys, Thompson and James Ball, according to the fathers, had been on an auto trip in Mr. Thompson's Buick, to Nebraska, and were returning home when the machine was stripped over to a garage for repairs.

The holdup man, it appears, was a member of their party, having been picked up at Princeton and given a ride as far as La Salle. Neither of the boys know his name nor residence. According to the story told by young Thompson, who was locked up in the county jail as an accomplice in the crime, he and Ball offered the stickup a ride into Chicago, which he accepted.

When the trio arrived at La Salle the accident occurred and they were compelled to turn the machine over to the Central garage and from there intended to take the train into Chicago. Thompson and Ball, the former stated, were both broke and touched H. A. Roy, proprietor of the garage, for a loan of \$20 to pay their railroad fares home. The car was left as security for the loan.

It was after the holdup failed that Thompson, the hotel clerk, remembered having seen Thompson and the robber talking together in front of the Harrison house. By the simple process of deduction he concluded that the two were members of the same gang and that young Thompson's apartment at the desk in quest of a room was merely a guise to get him upstairs so that the robber could rifle the register and make his getaway. By hurrying he came downstairs in time to queer any program as this, but stumbled into the highwayman with his poised revolver and an order to turn over the funds of the register and safe. He refused and his hand carried so completely that the robber backed out of the corridor and ran down the street.

After getting word of the robbery, Roy of the garage became suspicious of the Buick left in his charge and he notified the police of his belief that the car was stolen. Putting two and two together, the police started out to trace down Thompson, and found him in the hotel, where Clerk Garrity gave it as his theory that the car possibly was stolen and the occupants were bandits. Thompson was dragged from bed and placed under arrest.

Then Thompson told of the episode as it occurred, but added that after borrowing the \$20 from Mr. Roy his borrowing the \$20 from Mr. Roy his hand was missed, and was forced to return to La Salle to spend the night. He gave his father's name and said the machine in the central garage was the property of Ball's father.

Mr. Ball, who is head of a Chicago detective agency, and Mr. Thompson arrived in La Salle this morning, identified the machine and verified all the things the prisoner had repeated to the authorities.

Medics to Meet.
Louisville, Ky.—Several thousand physicians are expected to attend the fourteenth annual convention of the Southern Medical association in Louisville Nov. 15-18. Dr. E. H. Cary, Dallas, Texas, is president.

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nomination for governor is James Hamilton Lewis, former senator, opposed by Robert O'Hara, former lieutenant governor, both from Chicago. The Democratic senatorial race lay between Robert E. Burke of Chicago and Peter A. Waller of Kewanee.

commit murder marked the balloting in Chicago's election today.

Michael Fennesy, 35, a precinct worker, was shot and killed at a 17th ward polling place, by a policeman. Detectives who arrested the slayer said he had been drinking. A worker in the 29th ward was kidnapped by five armed men who after robbing him of jewelry and \$100 and severely beating him, threw him out of their auto with a warning not to return to his precinct. Two other policemen who were kidnapped have not been found. In a free-for-all fight in the Second ward a policeman was beaten unconscious and may die, and a deputy sheriff kidnapped by a band of armed men who attempted to vote twice. The kidnappers fled in an auto bearing a Len Small for the opposition sign, according to election officials.

Fights and Brawls in Chicago.
Chicago, Sept. 15.—Voting in Illinois' state primary opened briskly in Chicago, with indications that the total vote cast here might reach 500,000, considerably more than half the number registered. Up to 11 o'clock one precinct captain had been reported kidnapped by the opposition. Four arrests had been made by 11 o'clock.

Later reports of conflicts grew more frequent. Three auto loads of armed men kidnapped an election worker in the Fourth ward, beat a precinct captain in another polling place and shot up a saloon. Both the man kidnapped and the one beaten are anti-Thompson workers, according to Sheriff Peters. Police and a special deputy sheriff clashed in the Second ward and Lee Thornton, a colored deputy sheriff, was arrested, charged with assault to commit murder. He is said to have drawn a gun and threatened to kill Detective Sergeant Anthony Nagel.

A final order by County Judge James Burtis assuming entire control of the election machinery narrowed down the possibility of clashes, between the police and sheriff's deputies.

Rains General in State.
Springfield, Sept. 15.—Primary day which opened with rain confined to many districts by 7 o'clock this morning had become almost statewide. Thunder showers, Meteorologist Root predicted, will continue intermittently this afternoon and tonight, followed by fair weather Thursday.

Battle of Ballots Opens.
Chicago, Sept. 15.—Republican and Democratic candidates for United States senators, representatives, governor and nearly ninety other state offices were balloted upon by men and women in Illinois today. The bitter campaign which developed between two factions in the republican party was expected to result in the largest vote in the state's history. Warm weather with probably showers by night was predicted.

The republican factional fight centered around the ticket headed by Len Small of Kankakee and supported by Mayor William Hale Thompson of Chicago, to which was opposed that headed by John D. Olesby, lieutenant governor, supported by Governor Frank O. Lowden.

The announcement by Sheriff Charles W. Peters of the appointment in Cook county of more than 1,000 deputies for duty at the polls drew charges from the Thompson faction of attempted intimidation and instructions to the police to arrest any deputies found violating city ordinances or election regulations. Sheriff Peters warned that interference with the deputies might lead to bloodshed.

In addition to Small and Olesby, two other republicans, Oscar E. Carlstrom of Alton and Edward N. Woodruff of Urbana are seeking the republican gubernatorial nomination.

The principal senatorial fight on the republican ticket also was between Lowden and Thompson candidates. The man favored by Governor Lowden is Representative W. B. McKinley of Champaign while the candidate supported by Mayor Thompson is Frank L. Smith of Dwight, a congressman. A third candidate is Burnett M. Chipperfield of Canton, a former representative.

Seeking the Democratic nomination for governor is James Hamilton Lewis, former senator, opposed by Robert O'Hara, former lieutenant governor, both from Chicago. The Democratic senatorial race lay between Robert E. Burke of Chicago and Peter A. Waller of Kewanee.